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'Spirited' Suggestions for Mr. Nixon's Gift List

'TISN'T THE SEASON to be nasty. But you'd never know it here in Washington.

President Nixon is decking the halls with everybody, from North Vietnam to the American press, whoever happened to get in his way. So in that spirit, and in the hope he will overlook no needy cases, here is a list of Christmas gift suggestions for Mr. Nixon.

To Henry Kissinger, for his prediction that peace was at hand: a letter of introduction, signed by Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker, to President Nguyen Van Thieu of South Vietnam.

To Attorney General Richard Kleindienst, for his investigations of the Watergate case and the ITT settlement: a seeing-eye dog.

To Martha Mitchell, for doing so much to call attention to the Watergate scandal: a telephone.

To Secretary William Rogers, for leadership of the State Department: an autographed picture of Henry Kissinger.

To Billy Kilmer, the quarterback of the Washington Redskins who complained that the President's constant attention was "psyching the team": a transfer to the New England Patriots.

To the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for being the only state to vote for George McGovern: a requirement that the quarterback of the New England Patriots from now until 1984 be Billy Kilmer.

To John Connally, for presuming that he managed the delicate negotiations leading to a new international monetary agreement: a full-length mirror flashing pictures of a bull in a china shop.

To Spiro Agnew, for presuming that he too can move from Vice Presidential hatchet man for the right-wing to international statesman of Presidential timber: a full-length mirror, flashing pictures of John Connally.

To the District of Columbia, for giving George McGovern an overwhelming majority of its vote: a promotion from status of colony to that of foreign country.

To Senator McGovern, for dimming the luster of the President's triumph by his own inept campaign: nomination as first American ambassador to the District of Columbia.

To President Thieu, for his role in bringing peace to Vietnam in 1967 and 1968 and 1971 and 1972: a villa on the French Riviera.

To Le Duc Tho, Hanoi's chief negotiator, for his role in bringing peace in Vietnam: another villa on the French Riviera.

To Chief Justice Warren Burger, for the Supreme Court's recent decisions in the school desegregation cases: a mini-bus.

To the Joint Chiefs of Staff, for their estimates of the impact of bombing on North Vietnam: honorary appointment to Egyptian Intelligence.

To Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird, for his management of the Pentagon during the past four years: appointment as President of Penn Central.

To Bob Haldeman and John Ehrlichman, for managing the White House staff and the domestic program respectively: appointment as Vice Presidents of Penn Central.

To Teddy Kennedy, for his speech in California saying the President was an all right guy: a thin smile.

To the editors of The Washington Post, for complaining about the decision not to include Post reporters in the pool covering White House social events: an invitation with attendance compulsory, to all of next year's prayer breakfasts.

Finally, for the rest of us who have to write and talk about the Nixon administration: assignment, beginning now, to the crew of Apollo 18.

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"To Martha Mitchell . . . a telephone."